गैर सरकारी क्षेत्र और सरकारी क्षेत्र की कम्पनियों के कर्मचारियों को दिए जा रहे भत्तों को कर के दायरे में लाया जाना

4577. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल:** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र की कुछ कम्पनियो और सरकारी क्षेत्र के कुछ उपक्रम अपने कर्मचारियों को ऐसे भत्ते देते हैं जो कराधेय नहीं हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार ऐसे सभी भत्तों को कर के दायरे में लाने के लिए क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार के मामले मे 4,000 रुपये प्रति माह का वेतन पाने वाला कर्मचारी करदाता बन जाता है परन्तु गैर-सरकारी क्षेत्र मे कर्मचारी 40,000 रुपये तक के भत्ते प्राप्त करने के पश्चात् भी करदाता नहीं बनते हैं; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो सरकार द्वारा इस विषमता को दूर करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर): (क) आयकर अधिनियम के अंतर्गत किसी कर्मचारी को उसके नियोजक से प्राप्त व्यय अथवा प्राप्त हुए सभी भत्ते कराधेय हैं। तथापि, कतिपय भत्तों के संबंध में कर से छूट की व्यवस्था अधिनियम मे निर्धारित शर्तों और सीमाओं के अध्यधीन रहते हुए की गई है। इन विनिर्दिष्ट सीमाओं से अधिक इस प्रकार का कोई भी भत्ता कराधेय है। सरकारी कर्मचारियों तथा सार्वजनिक एवं निजी क्षेत्रों के कर्मचारियों के बीच विभिन्न भत्तों के लिए कर-व्यवहार के संबंध में कोई भेदभाव नहीं है।

(ख) से (घ) प्रश्न के भाग (क) के उत्तर को देखते हुए इन भागों के उत्तर के प्रश्न नहीं उठते हैं।

राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंकों द्वारा गंदे नोटों को स्वीकार करने से इन्कार

4578. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल:** क्या **वित्त** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंक अपने खाताधारकों से गंदे और फटे हुए नोट स्वीकार नहीं करते हैं; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार इस संबंध में क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री दलबीर सिंह): (क) और (ख) भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक ने सरकारी क्षेत्र के बैंकों की सभी शाखाओं को गन्दे और मामूली तौर पर कटे-फटे नोटों को मंजूर कर लेने की सलाह दी है। इसके अलावा, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक (नोट वापसी) नियमावली के अंतर्गत सरकारी क्षेत्र के बैंकों की सभी करेंसी चेस्ट शाखाओं को कटे-फटे नोटों की सभी श्रेणियों को बदलने की पूरी शक्तियां प्राप्त हैं। गन्दे/कटे-फटे नोटों को मंजूर न करने के संबंध में जब कभी कोई विशेष शिकायत प्राप्त होती है, भारतीय रिजर्व बैंक और सरकार द्वारा उपचारात्मक कार्रवाई के लिए उसे सम्बद्ध के साथ उठाया जाता है।

Apprehension for Non-Observance of Customs Rules and Regulations

4579. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of persons and firms have been apprehended for deliberate non-observance of Customs Rules and Regulation and if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) what is the total number of such cases, indicating the total amount involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the house.

Recovery of dues from BICL by SBI

4580. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether SBI is unable to realise its dues from British India Corporation Limited, Kanpur;

(b) whether because of misuse of funds by the BICL management SBI's future recovery procedures are seeming to be bleak and week; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and what steps Government propose to take to effect recovery?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) The state Bank of India (SBI) have reported that British India Corporation Ltd. Kanpur (BIC) is a sick Central public Sector Undertaking. SBI has no record regarding misuse of funds by BIC. BIC have now been identified as a chronically sick Public Sector Undertaking for reference to the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR), who will consider the case regarding the future

of BIC under the provisions of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985. As such, the SBI have not so far made any formal demand on BIC for liquidation of their dues.

Assistance to sugar companies in Kanpur by F.I.S.

4581. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that investment/ credit assistance has been given to Champaran Sugar Company Limited and Cawnpore Sugar works Limited, Kanpur by the Industrial Development Bank of India and Industrial Finance Corporation of India;

(b) whether these financial institutions have their nominees on the boards of these two companies;

(c) whether Government have also received reports against these nominees for having acted against the policy decision of Government relating to taking over procedures, etc. and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Industrial Development Bank of India has reported that it has a nominee only on the Board of Cawnpore Sugar Works Ltd., while the Industrial Finance Corporation of India has reported that it has a nominee each on the Boards of Champaran Sugars and Cawnpore Sugar Works Limited.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Letters from MPs complaining against State Banks of Indore

4582. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) What is the number and details of letters that have been received by the Banking Division in the Ministry of Finance from the Members of Parliament regarding staff matters/frauds/tampering with Bank record by some officials of the State Bank of Indore from 1990 till date;

(b) whether these letters have been enquired by his Ministry, if so, the findings thereof; and

(c) what is the number of officials found guilty of lapses and what action is proposed by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (c) Information is being collected, and to the extent available, will be laid on the Table of the House.

Memorandum by M.Ps. against misuse of powers by officers of State Bank of Indore

4583. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Members of parliament have, jointly, submitted a memorandum to the Prime Minister/Finance Minister against misuse of official powers by some officers of the State Bank of Indore during March, 1992;

(b) if so, what are the demands of M.Ps. and what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government against those officers found guilty of misuse of their power, if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The letter, *inter-alia* seeks benefits of past service for an employee of State Bank of Indore who was deemed to have voluntarily retired from bank's service and who was re-employed at his own request on humanitarian grounds on the terms & conditions agreed to by him in writing.

(c) Regarding action against guilty official, the bank has replied that the enquiry into the affairs of the bank's branches in Delhi has been duly conducted by CBI and the bank has already initiated departmental action against the guilty officials and have taken the matter to the law courts for recovery of advances.